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DATE: April 30, 2015

NEWS RELEASE

Burglary Suspect Shot After Threatening Officers

Date/Time: 04-29-15 @ 9:11 p.m. Location: 300 block of Jesuit

Subject: 22-year old Erick Emmanuel Salas Sanchez of the 300 block of Jesuit Officer: 10-year veteran assigned to the Mission Valley Regional Command Center

EL PASO, TEXAS: A burglary suspect is shot after threatening officers. The preliminary investigation revealed that shortly after 9:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 29, 2015, officers were dispatched to the 300 block of Jesuit regarding a burglary of habitation in progress. Upon arrival the officers located the person they believed to be the subject of the call and attempted to speak with him (22-year old Erick Emmanuel Salas Sanchez). Sanchez armed himself with a metal object and continued to threaten the officers that he was going to kill them. An officer deployed his Taser in an effort to control Sanchez, but, unfortunately, it was ineffective. Sanchez, still armed with the metal object, charged at the officers and a 10-year veteran officer fired his duty weapon, striking Sanchez. Sanchez was transported to Del Sol Medical Center where he died from his injuries. The Crimes Against Persons Unit, Texas Rangers and the Shooting Review Team are all investigating the shooting. As is customary, the officer involved will be placed on administrative duties pending the outcome of the investigation. Also, all officer involved shootings are presented the District Attorney's Office, who in turn presents them to a grand jury.

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